Conover June 27th 1863

My dear Mrs Chapman

Can you let us have the articles for our Fair by Tuesday afternoon, when I will, if you say Yes, direct the Stagesman to call — We want some of the handsomest things you have, and some of the cheapest a goodly display if you have them to send — If we have a good many beautiful things we can make a great temptation of them, and thus many will come and buy. Then extreme fee for the sake of seeing them if they do not intend to buy. We think of having a Lebanon tree, similar to your Christmas tree, if we can collect articles enough to put on it, for suppose a fair, and for this purpose we wish about 50 little dolls worth 3 cts a piece, and now I am going to beg the favor of you to purchase them for us, and send them up on Tuesday evening with the other things, as we have a meeting on Wednesday when we mean to display them — We will pay you for the same soon — If you could give us a little direction about sewing it would greatly oblige us. I am troubling you a great deal and you have always ranked like a friend in this cause, but I can only envy you the heart and the privilege — I don't know what is to let this cause exist it is so awfully wrong every where — I am sometimes strongly tempted to leave Millcreek and have the buildings all done up quick — Yours Wm M Brooks.

Please take the means if you can have the things ready.

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Miss Maria L. Chapman

Mrs. Ezy Lemmon's Sketch

Have you any of the papers which came with the Irish articles for the fair embellished authors else I will not forget. If so will you please send some here we have a good many Irishmen in town and we want some for them